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Hon. James Orenstein
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Re: In the Matter of the Claim of Josiah Galloway v. County of Nassau, et al.
Case No. 2:19 cv 05026
Our File Ref.: 1444-1816

Dear Magistrate Orenstein:

Our office represents the Incorporated Village of Hempstead, Police Officer Steven Horowitz, Shield No. 144, and Detective Kevin Cunningham, Shield No.: 112, in the above-referenced matter.

I am writing at this time to request permission to attend the initial conference, currently scheduled to occur on Thursday, April 2, 2020, at 10:30 am, via telephone versus an in person appearance. I make this request in connection with the ongoing COVID-19 precautions that have been initiated by Governor Cuomo. If this does not meet with your Honor's approval, please advise, and I will appear in person.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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